

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 6, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House
of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled
Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 609, "An Act creating an
independent school district to be known
as the Woden Independent School Dis-
trict in Nacogdoches county, Texas, etc.,
and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same, and
find it correctly enrolled, and have this
day, at 3:20 o'clock p. m., presented
same to the Governor for his approval.

McCOY, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 6, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House
of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled
Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 425, "An Act requiring the
county attorney of Wichita county to
represent the State in criminal cases in
the district court of the Seventy-eighth
Judicial District, and allowing him to
draw same fees therefor as are now al-
lowed county attorneys in counties hav-
ing no district attorney, and declaring
and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same, and
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day, at 3:20 o'clock p. m., presented
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McCOY, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 6, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House
of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled
Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 624, "An Act creating the
Abernathy Independent School District,
situated in Hale and Lubbock counties,
etc., and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same, and
find it correctly enrolled, and have this
day, at 3:20 o'clock p. m., presented
same to the Governor for his approval.

McCOY, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 6, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House
of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled
Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 608, "An Act creating the
Chireno Independent School District in

Nacogdoches county, Texas, etc., and de-
claring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same, and find
it correctly enrolled, and have this day,
at 3:20 o'clock p. m., presented same to
the Governor for his approval.

McCOY, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 6, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House
of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled
Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 612, "An Act to create a
more efficient road, bridge and culvert
system for Houston county; to create
the office of road superintendent, etc., and
providing for an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same, and
find it correctly enrolled, and have this
day, at 3:20 o'clock p. m., presented
same to the Governor for his approval.

McCOY, Chairman.

FORTY-FIRST DAY.

(Wednesday, March 7, 1917.)

The House met at 9:30 o'clock a. m.,
pursuant to adjournment.

(Speaker Fuller in the chair.)

The roll was called, and the following
members were present:

Bagby.	Davis of Dallas.
Baker.	Davis of Grimes.
Beard of Harris.	Davis
Beard of Milam.	of Van Zandt.
Beasley.	De Bogory.
Beason.	Denton.
Bedell.	Dodd.
Bertram.	Dudley.
Blackburn.	Dunnam.
Blackmon.	Estes.
Blalock.	Fairchild.
Bland.	Fisher.
Bledsoe.	Fitzpatrick.
Boner.	Florer.
Brown.	Fly.
Bryan.	Haidusek.
Bryant.	Hardey.
Burton of Rusk.	Harris.
Burton of Tarrant.	Hartman.
Butler.	Hawkins.
Cadenhead.	Hill.
Canales.	Holland.
Carlock.	Hudspeth.
Cates.	Johnson.
Clark.	Jones.
Cope.	Laas.
Cox.	Laney.
Crudgington.	Lange.

Lanier.	Sentell.
Lee.	Schlesinger.
Lindemann.	Schlosshan.
Lowe.	Scholl.
of McMullen.	Seawright.
Low.	Sholars.
of Washington.	Smith of Bastrop.
McComb.	Smith of Hopkins.
McCoy.	Smith of Scurry.
McDowra.	Spencer of Nolan.
McFarland.	Spencer of Wise.
McMillin.	Spradley.
Martin.	Stewart.
Meador.	Swope.
Mendell.	Taylor.
Metcalfe.	Templeton.
Miller of Austin.	Terrell.
Miller of Dallas.	Thomas.
Monday.	Thomason
Moore.	of El Paso.
Morris.	Thomason
Murrell.	of Nacogdoches.
Neeley.	Thompson
Neill.	of Hunt.
Nichols.	Thompson
Nordhaus.	of Red River.
O'Banion.	Tillotson.
O'Brien.	Tilson.
Osborne.	Tinner.
Parks.	Trayler.
Peddy.	Tschoepe.
Peyton.	Upchurch.
Pillow.	Valentine.
Poage.	Veatch.
Pope.	White.
Raiden.	Williams
Reeves.	of Brazoria.
Richards.	Williams
Robertson.	of McLennan.
Roemer.	Williford.
Rogers.	Wilson.
Russell.	Woods.
Sackett.	Woodul.
Sallas.	Yantis.

Absent.

Greenwood.

Absent—Excused.

Bell.	Wahrmund.
Lacey.	Walker.
Strayhorn.	

A quorum was announced present.
 Prayer was offered by Rev. J. C. Mitchell, Chaplain, as follows:
 O Lord, our God, Thou before whom angels and archangels bow in adoration and praise, help us to come into Thy presence in a reverent and worshipful manner. Thou hast been with Thy people through all ages, be with us yet, lest we forget—lest we forget. We pray Thee to guide each individual member of this House in whatsoever capacity he

shall serve. We pray that the principles laid down in the Sermon on the Mount may be the rule of individual thought and action. We ask it in Jesus' name. Amen.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED.

Mr. Bell was granted leave of absence indefinitely, on account of important business, on motion of Mr. Thomas.

Mr. Walker was granted leave of absence for yesterday and today, on account of sickness, on motion of Mr. Nordhaus.

Messrs. Bledsoe, Bryan, Bryant, Carlock, Davis of Van Zandt, Fly, McMillin, Miller of Dallas, Pope and Thomason of El Paso were granted leaves of absence for this morning, on account of important committee work, on motion of Mr. McFarland.

HOUSE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following House bills, introduced today, were laid before the House, read severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

By Mr. Cox and Mr. Johnson:

H. B. No. 818, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 18, Chapter 15 of the Acts of the Thirty-second Legislature of the State of Texas providing for a special road system for Ellis county, etc."

Referred to Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

By Mr. Schlesinger, Mr. Beason and Mr. De Bogory:

H. B. No. 819, A bill to be entitled "An Act prohibiting licensed attorneys from dividing fees received from the practice of law with unlicensed persons, firms, voluntary associations or corporations, and fixing a penalty therefor."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Jones:

H. B. No. 820, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating a new road law for Bowie county."

Referred to Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

By Mr. McCoy, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Bryant and Mr. Laney:

H. B. No. 821, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 5505, Chapter 1, Title 82, Revised Civil Statutes of

1911 of the State of Texas, providing for the time of meeting of the Legislature, the length of the term for regular sessions, and the time and conditions when and under which provisions of this act shall become effective."

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Tillotson:

H. B. No. 822, A bill to be entitled "An Act incorporating and reorganizing the Sealy Independent School District in Austin county, Texas, etc., and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Laas (by request):

H. B. No. 823, A bill to be entitled "An Act adding to and making a part of the Rosenberg Independent School District of Fort Bend county, Texas, certain lands adjoining thereto, etc., and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Pope, Mr. Smith of Scurry and Mr. Nichols:

H. B. No. 824, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the imposition and collection of a State license for the privilege of manufacturing or selling non-intoxicating malt liquors, "Kwiz," "Pablo," "Tanhauser," "Mecca," "Temp," "Conine," "Brew," "Reif's Special," "Bevo," "Tally," "Hiawatha," root-beer, near-beer, malt nutrine, malt extract, malt-and-iron, mead, metheglin, kel-kola, coca cola, true coke, koke, chero coke, hop ale, grape juice, orangeade, orange juice, pineapple juice, cider, cherry juice, and prune juice, and any other beverage of a similar character and quality; providing for the issuance of licenses, providing penalties for the violation, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

SENATE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following Senate bills were laid before the House, read severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

Senate bill No. 55, to the Committee on Public Health.

Senate bill No. 388, to the Committee on Education.

Senate bill No. 440, to the Committee on Education.

Senate bill No. 452, to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

BILLS ORDERED NOT PRINTED.

On motion of Mr. Fly, it was ordered that House bill No. 813 be not printed.

On motion of Mr. Peyton, it was ordered that House bill No. 811 be not printed.

On motion of Mr. Schlosshan, it was ordered that House bill No. 815 be not printed.

On motion of Mr. Laney, it was ordered that Senate bill No. 55 be not printed.

On motion of Mr. Reeves, it was ordered that Senate bill No. 311 be not printed.

On motion of Mr. Stewart, it was ordered that House bill No. 808 be not printed.

On motion of Mr. Templeton, it was ordered that Senate bill No. 247 be not printed.

On motion of Mr. Tillotson, it was ordered that House bill No. 822 be not printed.

On motion of Mr. Yantis, it was ordered that Senate bill No. 452 be not printed.

NOTICE GIVEN.

Mr. De Bogory gave notice that on next Friday, March 9, he would call up for consideration the motion to reconsider the vote by which House Joint Resolution No. 31 failed to pass on Friday, March 2, which motion to reconsider was on that day duly spread upon the Journal.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 19 RECALLED FROM SENATE.

On motion of Mr. Templeton, House Joint Resolution No. 19 was recalled from the Senate.

THANKING CITIZENS OF SAN ANTONIO.

Mr. Thomason of Nacogdoches offered the following resolution:

Whereas, On last Saturday and Sunday a large number of the members of this House were guests of the citizens of San Antonio; and

Whereas, The citizens of that delightful metropolis and the Chamber of Commerce of that city, together with the members of the Legislature from Bexar county, were lavish in their entertainment of the members of the Legislature

and left nothing undone that would make the trip enjoyable and profitable; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the thanks of this House are hereby tendered for the courtesies extended and for the splendid hospitality enjoyed, and that the Speaker of this House be requested to send a copy of this resolution, duly attested by the Chief Clerk, to the secretary of the San Antonio Chamber of Commerce.

Signed—Thomason of Nacogdoches, Bryant, Bledsoe, Hudspeth, Templeton, Bedell, Swope, White, Fly, Trayler, Schlosshan, Reeves, Estes, Martin, McCoy, Spradley, Thompson, Hawkins, Reeves, Fitzpatrick.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

SENATE BILL NO. 405 ON THIRD READING.

On motion of Mr. Bledsoe, by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended, to take up and have placed on its third reading and final passage,

S. B. No. 405, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the Panhandle & Santa Fe Railway Company to purchase, own and operate the railroad of the South Plains & Santa Fe Railway Company, with its franchises and appurtenances, now and hereafter owned; and the railroad of the North Texas & Santa Fe Railway Company, with its franchises and appurtenances, now and hereafter owned; and until such purchase or purchases is or are made to authorize lease by the Panhandle & Santa Fe Railway Company of the railroad and other properties of said other companies or either of them, and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, it was read third time and was passed.

Mr. Bledsoe moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

SENATE BILL NO. 237 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, as a special order for this hour, on its second reading and passage to a third reading,

S. B. No. 237, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 179 of the General Laws of the State of Texas,

passed at the Regular Session of the Thirty-third Legislature, entitled "An Act relating to employers' liability, and providing for the compensation of certain employes, and their representatives and beneficiaries, for personal injuries sustained in the course of employment, and for deaths resulting from such injuries, and to provide and determine in what cases compensation shall be paid, and to make the payment thereof more certain and prompt by the creation of an insurance association to insure and guarantee such payments and of an industrial accident board for the investigation of claims, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Mr. Lange offered the following (committee) amendments to the bill:

(1)

Strike out Section 3a, page 4, of the amended Senate bill No. 237, and substitute the following Section 3a:

"Section 3a. An employe of a subscriber shall be held to have waived his right of action at common law or under any statute of this State to recover damages for injuries sustained in the course of his employment if he shall not have given his employer, at the time of his contract of hire, notice in writing that he claimed said right or if the contract of hire was made before the employer became a subscriber, if the employe shall not have given the said notice within five (5) days of notice of such subscription. An employe who has given notice to his employer that he claimed his right of action at common law or under any statute may thereafter waive such claim by notice in writing, which shall take effect five (5) days after its delivery to his employer or his agent; provided further, that any employe of a subscriber who has not waived his right of action at common law or under any statute to recover damages for injury sustained in the course of his employment, as above provided in this section, shall, as well as his legal beneficiaries and representatives, have his or their cause of action for such injuries as now exist by the common law and statutes of this State, which action shall be subject to all defenses under the common law and statutes of this State."

(2)

Amend said bill, Part 2, at the end of Section 4a, page 23, line —, by adding after the word "incapacity" the fol-

lowing: "Provided, that for good cause the board may in meritorious cases waive the strict compliance with the foregoing limitations as to notice and the filing of the claim before the board."

(3)

Amend Part 1, Section 18, page 19, line —, after the word "act," by adding the following clause: "and shall certify such fact to the Commissioner of Insurance and Banking, and such certificate shall be sufficient cause to justify said Commissioner of Insurance and Banking to revoke or forfeit the license or permit of such association to do business in Texas."

(4)

At the end of Section 7c, Part 1, add to the following subsection 7d: "For representing the interests of any claimant in any matter carried from the board into the courts, it shall be lawful for the attorneys representing such interests to contract with any of the beneficiaries under this act for an attorney's fee for such representation, not to exceed one-third of the amount recovered, such fee for the services so rendered to be fixed and allowed by the trial court in which such matter may be heard and determined."

(5)

In Part 1, Section 7c, page 7, line —, after the word "dollars" change the period to a comma and add the following: "and in addition the reasonable expenses incurred by the attorney in the preparation and presentation of the said claim before the board, such expenses to be allowed by the board; further provided, that where an attorney represents only a part of those interested in the allowance of a claim before the board and his services in prosecuting such claim and obtaining an award thereon inures to the benefit of others jointly interested therein, then the board may take these facts into consideration and allow the attorney a reasonable charge to be assessed against the interest of those receiving benefits from the services of such attorney."

(6)

Amend Part 3, pages 34 and 35, beginning at line —, by striking out Section 23.

(7)

Amend Part 1, page 19, beginning at line —, by striking out Section 15 and

substituting in lieu thereof the following:

"Section 15. In cases where death or total permanent incapacity results from an injury, the liability of the association may be redeemed by payment of a lump sum by agreement of the parties thereto, subject to the approval of the Industrial Accident Board hereinafter created. This section shall be construed as excluding any other character of lump sum settlement save and except as herein specified; provided, however, that in special cases where in the judgment of the board manifest hardship and injustice would otherwise result, the board may compel the association in the cases provided for in this section to redeem their liability by payment of a lump sum as may be determined by the board."

(8)

Amend Part 2, Section 3, page 21, line —, by striking out all after the figure "Section 3" and down to the word "and" in line —, page 21, and substitute the following: "The salaries and expenses of the Industrial Accident Board shall be paid by the State. The salaries of the said members of the board shall be as follows: For the chairman of said board, \$3000 per year, and for each of the other members thereof, \$3000, payable in equal monthly installments. The board may appoint a secretary at a salary not to exceed \$2500 a year."

(9)

Amend Part 2, Section 2, pages 20 and 21, line —, by striking out Section 2 and inserting the following:

"Section 2. One member of the Industrial Accident Board shall be at the time of his appointment an employer of labor in some industry or business covered by this act; one shall be at the time of his appointment employed in some business or industry as a wage earner, and the third member shall be at the time of his appointment a practicing attorney of recognized ability, legal member to act in the capacity of legal adviser to the board, in addition to his other duties as a member thereof, and to be chairman of said board."

(10)

Amend Part 1, Section 12h, page 18, beginning at line —, by adding at the end of said section the following: Change the period to a semicolon and add the following: "nor to employers eligible to come under the terms of this

act who do not elect to do so but who choose to carry insurance upon their employees independently of this law without attempting in such insurance to provide compensation under the terms of this act; but further provided, that any evasion of this section, whereby an insurance company shall undertake, under the guise of writing insurance against the risks of employers who do not see proper to come under this act to write insurance substantially or in any material respect similar to the insurance provided for by this act, that such insurance shall be void, as provided for by the foregoing provisions of this section."

(11)

Amend Part 1 by striking out on pages 8 and 9, beginning at line —, the entire Section 8a and substituting the following:

"Section 8a: The compensation provided for in the foregoing section of this act shall be for the sole and exclusive benefit of the surviving husband who has not for good cause and for a period of three years prior thereto abandoned his wife at the time of the injury, the wife who has not at the time of the injury without good cause and for a period of three years prior thereto abandoned her husband and the minor children, without regard to the question of dependency, dependent parents and dependent children or dependent brothers and sisters of the deceased employe, and the amount recovered thereunder shall not be liable for the debts of the deceased nor for the debts of the beneficiary or beneficiaries, and shall be distributed among such beneficiaries as may be entitled to same as hereinbefore provided according to the laws of descent and distribution of this State; and provided such compensation shall not pass to the estate of the deceased to be administered upon, but shall be paid directly to said beneficiaries when the same are capable of taking, under the laws of the State, or to their guardian or next friend, in case of lunacy, infancy or other disqualifying cause of any beneficiary. And the compensation provided for in this act shall be paid weekly to the beneficiaries herein named and specified, subject to the other provisions of this act."

(12)

Amend Senate bill No. 237, Part 2, by adding between Sections 5 and 6 a new section, as follows:

"Section 5a. In all cases where the

board shall make a final order, ruling or decision as provided in the foregoing Section 5 hereof, and against the association, and the association shall fail and refuse to obey or comply with the same and shall fail or refuse to bring suit to set the same aside as in said Section 5 is provided, then in that event, the claimant in addition to the rights and remedies given him and the board in said Section 5 may bring suit in some court of competent jurisdiction where the injury occurred, upon said order, ruling or decision, and if he secures a judgment in said court sustaining such order, ruling or decision in whole or in part, he shall also be entitled to recover the further sum of twelve per cent as damages upon the amount of compensation so recovered in said judgment, together with a reasonable attorney's fee for the prosecution and collection of such claim.

"It is also further provided that where the board has made an award against an association requiring the payment to an injured employe or his beneficiaries of any weekly or monthly payments, under the terms of this act, and such association should thereafter fail or refuse, without justifiable cause, to continue to make said payments promptly as they mature, then the said injured employe or his beneficiaries, in case of his death, shall have the right to mature the entire claim and to institute suit thereon in any court of competent jurisdiction where the injury occurred to collect the full amount thereof, together with twelve per cent penalties and attorney's fees, as provided for in the foregoing paragraph of this section."

(13)

Amend Senate bill No. 237, Section 2, Part 4, by striking out the words and figures "and 23," in line —, after the figures "21."

Amend Senate bill No. 237, Section 2, Part 4, by inserting the word "and" between the figures "18a" and "21."

(Mr. Spencer of Wise in the chair.)

On motion of Mr. Lange, it was agreed to consider the (committee) amendments amendment by amendment.

(Committee) amendment (1) was adopted.

Mr. Lange moved to reconsider the vote by which the (committee) amendment (1) was adopted, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

(Committee) amendment (2) was adopted.

Mr. Lange moved to reconsider the vote by which the (committee) amendment was adopted, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

(Committee) amendment (3) was adopted.

Mr. Nordhaus moved to reconsider the vote by which the (committee) amendment was adopted, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

(Committee) amendment (4) was adopted.

Mr. Cope moved to reconsider the vote by which the (committee) amendment was adopted, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

(Committee) amendments (5), (6), (7), (8), (9), and (10) were severally adopted.

Mr. Fairchild offered the following amendment to (committee) amendment (11):

Amend committee amendment (11) to Senate bill 237 by inserting after the word "parents" in line nine thereof and before the word "and" the following: "dependent grandparents and dependent step-mother."

The amendment to the (committee) amendment (11) was adopted.

(Committee) amendment (11) as amended was then adopted.

Mr. Carlock offered the following amendment to (committee) amendment (12):

Amend Senate bill No. 237 by adding at the end of committee amendment, known as Section 5a, the following: "Suit may be brought under the provisions of this section of the act, either in the county where the accident occurred or in any county where the claimants reside, or where one or more of such claimants may have his place of residence at the time of the institution of the suit."

The amendment to the (committee) amendment (12) was adopted.

(Committee) amendment (12) as amended was then adopted.

(Committee) amendment (13) was adopted.

Mr. Robertson offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend Senate bill 237, part 1, Section 12e, by changing the last sentence there-

of so as to read as follows: "The results of such operation, the question as to whether the injured employe shall be required to submit thereto and the benefits and liabilities arising therefrom shall attach, be treated, handled and determined by the board in the same way as is provided in the case of hernia in this act."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Carlock offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend Senate bill No. 237 by inserting a new section in part 1 thereof between Sections 15 and 16 to be known as Section 15a to read as follows:

"Section 15a. In any case where compensation is payable weekly at a definite sum and for a definite period, and it appears to the board that the amount of compensation being paid is inadequate to meet the necessities of the beneficiary the board shall have the power to increase the amount of compensation by correspondingly decreasing the number of weeks for which the same is to be paid allowing such discount to the company increasing such payments as is applicable in cases of lump sum settlement."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Pillow offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend Senate bill No. 237, Section 8a, part 1, by striking out the words "dependent children" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "children" wherever found.

The amendment was lost.

Mr. Lange moved to reconsider the vote by which the amendment was lost, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

Mr. Moore offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend Senate bill No. 237 by striking out the words "Industrial Accident Board" wherever they occur, and substituting in lieu thereof the words "district court of the county where the injury occurred," and wherever the word "board" occurs the words "district judge" shall be substituted.

Mr. Carlock raised a point of order on consideration of the amendment on the ground that it is not germane to the purposes of the bill.

The Speaker overruled the point of order.

(Speaker in the chair.)

Mr. Carlock moved to table the amendment.

Mr. Spradley moved the previous question on the motion to table, the amendment and the passage of the bill to a third reading, and the main question was ordered.

Question first recurring on the motion to table, yeas and nays were demanded.

The motion to table prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—90.

Bagby.	Monday.
Beard of Harris.	Morris.
Beard of Milam.	Murrell.
Beason.	Neeley.
Blackburn.	Nichols.
Blackmon.	Nordhaus.
Blalock.	O'Banion.
Bland.	Osborne.
Bledsoe.	Parks.
Boner.	Peyton.
Bryan.	Pillow.
Burton of Tarrant.	Poage.
Butler.	Pope.
Carlock.	Raiden.
Cates.	Reeves.
Clark.	Robertson.
Cope.	Roemer.
Cox.	Sallas.
Davis of Dallas.	Schlesinger.
Davis of Grimes.	Scholl.
Denton.	Sholars.
Dudley.	Smith of Bastrop.
Dunnam.	Smith of Scurry.
Estes.	Spencer of Nolan.
Fisher.	Spradley.
Florer.	Swope.
Fly.	Taylor.
Haidusek.	Templeton.
Hardey.	Terrell.
Harris.	Thomason
Holland.	of El Paso.
Johnson.	Thomason
Jones.	of Nacogdoches.
Laas.	Thompson
Laney.	of Hunt.
Lange.	Tillotson.
Lanier.	Tilson.
Low	Tschoepe.
of Washington.	Valentine.
McComb.	Veatch.
McDowra.	White.
McFarland.	Williams
McMillin.	of Brazoria.
Martin.	Williford.
Meador.	Wilson.
Mendell.	Woods.
Miller of Austin.	Yantis.
Miller of Dallas.	

Nays—36.

Baker.	Bedell.
Beasley.	Bertram.

Brown.	Neill.
Bryant.	O'Brien.
Burton of Rusk.	Peddy.
Cadenhead.	Richards.
Canales.	Rogers.
Crudgington.	Russell.
Davis	Sentell.
of Van Zandt.	Smith of Hopkins.
De Bogory.	Spencer of Wise.
Dodd.	Stewart.
Hartman.	Thomas.
Hawkins.	Thompson
Hudspeth.	of Red River.
Lee.	Tinner.
Lindemann.	Trayler.
Lowe	Upchurch.
of McMullen.	Woodul.
Moore.	

Absent.

Fairchild.	Sackett.
Fitzpatrick.	Schlosshan.
Greenwood.	Seawright.
Hill.	Williams
McCoy.	of McLennan.
Metcalfe.	

Absent—Excused.

Bell.	Wahrmund.
Lacey.	Walker.
Strayhorn.	

Mr. Blalock moved to reconsider the vote by which the previous question was ordered.

Yeas and nays were demanded, and the motion to reconsider prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—69.

Baker.	Johnson.
Beard of Milam.	Jones.
Beasley.	Lee.
Bedell.	Lindemann.
Bertram.	McCoy.
Blalock.	McDowra.
Bledsoe.	McMillin.
Brown.	Moore.
Bryan.	Murrell.
Bryant.	Neill.
Burton of Rusk.	O'Banion.
Butler.	O'Brien.
Cadenhead.	Osborne.
Canales.	Peddy.
Clark.	Peyton.
Crudgington.	Pope.
Davis	Raiden.
of Van Zandt.	Richards.
De Bogory.	Roemer.
Denton.	Rogers.
Dodd.	Russell.
Fairchild.	Sackett.
Florer.	Sallas.
Hardey.	Sentell.
Hawkins.	Schlosshan.

Sholars.	Thompson
Smith of Bastrop.	of Red River.
Smith of Hopkins.	Tilson.
Spencer of Nolan.	Tinner.
Spencer of Wise.	Trayler.
Stewart.	White.
Templeton.	Williams
Terrell.	of Brazoria.
Thomas.	Williford.
Thomason	Wilson.
of El Paso.	Woods.
	Woodul.

Nays—61.

Bagby.	McFarland.
Beard of Harris.	Martin.
Beason.	Meador.
Blackburn.	Mendell.
Blackmon.	Metcalf.
Bland.	Miller of Austin.
Boner.	Miller of Dallas.
Burton of Tarrant.	Monday.
Carlock.	Morris.
Cates.	Neeley.
Cope.	Nichols.
Cox.	Nordhaus.
Davis of Dallas.	Parks.
Davis of Grimes.	Pillow.
Dudley.	Reeves.
Dunnam.	Robertson.
Estes.	Schlesinger.
Fisher.	Scholl.
Fly.	Smith of Scurry.
Haidusek.	Spradley.
Harris.	Swope.
Hartman.	Taylor.
Hill.	Thomason
Holland.	of Nacogdoches.
Laas.	Thompson
Laney.	of Hunt.
Lange.	Tillotson.
Lanier.	Tschoepe.
Lowe	Upchurch.
of McMullen.	Valentine.
Low	Veatch.
of Washington.	Yantis.
McComb.	

Present—Not Voting.

Poage.

Absent.

Fitzpatrick.	Seawright.
Greenwood.	Williams
Hudspeth.	of McLennan.

Absent—Excused.

Bell.	Wahrmund.
Lacey.	Walker.
Strayhorn.	

Question—Shall the main question be now ordered?

BILLS SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER.

The Speaker signed, in the presence of the House, after giving due notice thereof, and their captions had been read severally, the following enrolled bills:

S. B. No. 118, "An Act to aid the city of Paris and Lamar county in the re-establishment and rebuilding permanent improvements by donating and granting to them the State ad valorem and a part of the poll taxes and occupation taxes collected on property and from persons in said county of Lamar, for a period of five years, and to provide a penalty for their misapplication."

S. B. No. 405, "An Act to authorize the Panhandle & Santa Fe Railway Company to purchase, own and operate the railroad of the South Plains & Santa Fe Railway Company, with its franchises and appurtenances, now and hereafter owned; and the railroad of the North Texas & Santa Fe Railway Company, with its franchises and appurtenances, now and hereafter owned; and until such purchase or purchases is or are made to authorize lease by the Panhandle & Santa Fe Railway Company of the railroad and other properties of said other companies or either of them, and declaring an emergency."

RECESS.

On motion of Mr. Spradley, the House, at 12:30 o'clock p. m., took recess to 2 o'clock p. m. today.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met at 2 o'clock p. m. and was called to order by the Speaker.

SENATE BILL NO. 237 ON PASSAGE-TO A THIRD READING.

The House resumed consideration of the pending special order, same being Senate bill No. 237, known as the Workmen's Compensation Act, on its passage to a third reading, with motion of Mr. Spradley for the previous question on the passage of the bill to a third reading, pending.

Question—Shall the main question be now ordered?

Yeas and nays were demanded, and the House refused to order the main question at this time by the following vote:

Yeas—46.

Beason.	McComb.
Blackmon.	McDowra.
Boner.	McFarland.
Burton of Tarrant.	Mendell.
Carlock.	Miller of Austin.
Cates.	Miller of Dallas.
Cope.	Monday.
Cox.	Neill.
Davis of Dallas.	Nordhaus.
Denton.	Osborne.
Dudley.	Parks.
Dunnam.	Pillow.
Estes.	Reeves.
Fisher.	Sackett.
Fitzpatrick.	Scholl.
Fly.	Spradley.
Haidusek.	Swope.
Hill.	Taylor.
Holland.	Thompson
Laas.	of Hunt.
Laney.	Tillotson.
Lange.	Tschoepe.
Low	Valentine.
of Washington.	Yantis.

Nays—74.

Bagby.	Morris.
Baker.	Murrell.
Beard of Milam.	Neeley.
Beasley.	O'Banion.
Bedell.	O'Brien.
Bertram.	Peddy.
Blalock.	Peyton.
Bledsoe.	Pope.
Brown.	Raiden.
Bryant.	Richards.
Burton of Rusk.	Roemer.
Butler.	Rogers.
Cadenhead.	Russell.
Canales.	Sallas.
Clark.	Sentell.
Crudgington.	Schlosshan.
Davis of Grimes.	Sholars.
Davis	Smith of Bastrop.
of Van Zandt.	Smith of Hopkins.
De Bogory.	Smith of Scurry.
Dodd.	Spencer of Wise.
Fairchild.	Stewart.
Hardey.	Templeton.
Harris.	Terrell.
Hartman.	Thomas.
Hawkins.	Thomason
Hudspeth.	of El Paso.
Johnson.	Thomason
Jones.	of Nacogdoches.
Lee.	Thompson
Lindemann.	of Red River.
Lowe	Tilson.
of McMullen.	Tinner.
McCoy.	Traylor.
McMillin.	Upchurch.
Meador.	Veatch.
Metcalfe.	White.
Moore.	Williford.

Wilson.
Woods.

Woodul.

Absent.

Beard of Harris.	Robertson.
Blackburn.	Schlesinger.
Bland.	Seawright.
Florer.	Spencer of Nolan.
Greenwood.	Williams
Lanier.	of Brazoria.
Martin.	Williams
Nichols.	of McLennan.
Poage.	

Absent—Excused.

Bell.	Strayhorn.
Bryan.	Wahrmund.
Lacey.	Walker.

Mr. Terrell offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend Part II, Section 3, by striking out "\$3600" wherever it occurs and insert "\$3000"; by striking out "\$3000" where it occurs and inserting "\$2500"; by striking out "\$2500" where it occurs and insert "\$2000."

Signed—Blalock, Terrell, Dodd:

(Mr. Cope in the chair.)

Mr. Carlock moved to table the amendment.

Yeas and nays were demanded, and the motion to table was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—52.

Beard of Harris.	McFarland.
Beason.	Martin.
Bland.	Mendell.
Burton of Tarrant.	Miller of Austin.
Carlock.	Miller of Dallas.
Cates.	Monday.
Cope.	Neill.
Cox.	Nordhaus.
Davis of Dallas.	Parks.
Denton.	Pillow.
Dudley.	Reeves.
Dunnam.	Richards.
Estes.	Robertson.
Fairchild.	Sackett.
Fisher.	Schlesinger.
Florer.	Scholl.
Fly.	Smith of Bastrop.
Greenwood.	Smith of Scurry.
Haidusek.	Spradley.
Hardey.	Swope.
Hill.	Taylor.
Holland.	Thomason
Laney.	of El Paso.
Lange.	Thompson
Lowe	of Hunt.
of McMullen.	Tillotson.
Low	Tschoepe.
of Washington.	Valentine.

Nays—70.

Bagby.	Neeley.
Baker.	Nichols.
Beard of Milam.	O'Banion.
Beasley.	O'Brien.
Bedell.	Osborne.
Bertram.	Peddy.
Blackmon.	Peyton.
Blalock.	Poage.
Bledsoe.	Pope.
Boner.	Raiden.
Brown.	Rogers.
Bryan.	Russell.
Bryant.	Sallas.
Burton of Rusk.	Schlosshan.
Butler.	Seawright.
Canales.	Sentell.
Clark.	Smith of Hopkins.
Crudgington.	Spencer of Nolan.
Davis	Spencer of Wise.
of Van Zandt.	Stewart.
De Bogory.	Terrell.
Dodd.	Thomas.
Harris.	Thomason
Hartman.	of Nacogdoches.
Hawkins.	Thompson
Hudspeth.	of Red River.
Jones.	Tilson.
Laas.	Tinner.
Lee.	Trayler.
Lindemann.	Veatch.
McCoy.	White.
McDowra.	Williford.
McMillin.	Wilson.
Meador.	Woods.
Metcalfe.	Woodul.
Morris.	Yantis.
Murrell.	

Present—Not Voting.

McComb.

Absent.

Blackburn.	Sholars.
Cadenhead.	Templeton.
Davis of Grimes.	Upchurch.
Fitzpatrick.	Williams
Johnson.	of Brazoria.
Lanier.	Williams
Moore.	of McLennan.
Roemer.	

Absent—Excused.

Bell.	Wahrmund.
Lacey.	Walker.
Strayhorn.	

Question recurring on the adoption of the amendment, yeas and nays were demanded.

The amendment was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—69.

Baker.	Meador.
Beard of Milam.	Metcalfe.
Beasley.	Morris.
Bedell.	Murrell.
Bertram.	Neeley.
Blackburn.	Nichols.
Blackmon.	O'Banion.
Blalock.	O'Brien.
Bledsoe.	Osborne.
Boner.	Peddy.
Bryan.	Peyton.
Burton of Rusk.	Pope.
Butler.	Raiden.
Cadenhead.	Rogers.
Canales.	Russell.
Clark.	Sentell.
Cox.	Schlosshan.
Crudgington.	Seawright.
Davis of Dallas.	Smith of Hopkins.
Davis of Grimes.	Spencer of Nolan.
Davis	Spencer of Wise.
of Van Zandt.	Stewart.
De Bogory.	Terrell.
Dodd.	Thomas.
Harris.	Thomason
Hawkins.	of Nacogdoches.
Hill.	Thompson
Hudspeth.	of Red River.
Johnson.	Tilson.
Jones.	Tinner.
Laas.	Trayler.
Lee.	Veatch.
Lindemann.	Williford.
McCoy.	Wilson.
McDowra.	Woods.
McMillin.	Yantis.

Nays—57.

Bagby.	Lowe
Beard of Harris.	of McMullen.
Beason.	Low
Bland.	of Washington.
Brown.	McComb.
Bryant.	McFarland.
Burton of Tarrant.	Martin.
Carlock.	Mendell.
Cates.	Miller of Austin.
Cope.	Miller of Dallas.
Denton.	Monday.
Dudley.	Moore.
Dunnam.	Neill.
Estes.	Nordhaus.
Fairchild.	Parks.
Fisher.	Pillow.
Florer.	Reeves.
Fly.	Richards.
Greenwood.	Robertson.
Haidusek.	Sackett.
Hardey.	Sallas.
Hartman.	Schlesinger.
Holland.	Scholl.
Laney.	Smith of Bastrop.
Lange.	Smith of Scurry.
	Spradley.

Swope.
Taylor.
Thompson
of Hunt.
Tillotson.

Tschoepe.
White.
Williams
of Brazoria.
Woodul.

Absent.

Fitzpatrick.
Lanier.
Poage.
Roemer.
Sholars.
Templeton.

Upchurch.
Valentine.
Williams
of McLennan.
Thomason
of El Paso.

Absent—Excused:

Bell.
Lacey.
Strayhorn.

Wahrmund.
Walker.

(Speaker in the chair.)

Mr. Blalock moved to reconsider the vote by which the amendment was adopted and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

Mr. Bledsoe offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend Senate bill No. 237, Part IV, Section 2, page 696, House Journal, line 19, column 2, by striking out the word "greater" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "less."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Bledsoe moved to reconsider the vote by which the amendment was adopted, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

Mr. Canales offered the following amendment to the bill:

Strike out in Sections 8 and 10, Part I, the words "but not more than \$15.00 nor less than \$5.00 a week" and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "of not less than \$5.00 a week."

Mr. Miller of Dallas moved the previous question on the amendment and the passage of the bill to a third reading, and the main question was ordered.

Mr. Miller of Dallas moved to reconsider the vote by which the main question was ordered, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

Question then first recurring on the amendment by Mr. Canales, yeas and nays were demanded.

The amendment was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Bedell.

Bryant.

Canales.
Dodd.
Fairchild.
Lee.
Lindemann.
O'Brien.
Osborne.
Peddy.
Rogers.
Sentell.

Smith of Hopkins.
Spencer of Wise.
Stewart.
Terrell.
Thomas.
Tinner.
Williams
of McLennan.
Wilson.
Woodul.

Nays—102.

Bagby.
Baker.
Beard of Harris.
Beard of Milam.
Beasley.
Beason.
Blackmon.
Blalock.
Bland.
Bledsoe.
Boner.
Brown.
Bryan.
Burton of Rusk.
Burton of Tarrant.
Butler.
Cadenhead.
Carlock.
Cates.
Clark.
Cope.
Cox.
Crudgington.
Davis of Dallas.
Davis of Grimes.
Davis
of Van Zandt.
De Bogory.
Denton.
Dudley.
Dunnam.
Estes.
Fisher.
Florier.
Fly.
Greenwood.
Haidusek.
Hardey.
Harris.
Hartman.
Hawkins.
Holland.
Hudspeth.
Johnson.
Jones.
Laas.
Laney.
Lange.
Lowe
of McMullen.
Low
of Washington.
McComb.
McDowra.

McFarland.
McMillin.
Martin.
Meador.
Mendell.
Miller of Austin.
Miller of Dallas.
Monday.
Morris.
Murrell.
Neeley.
Neill.
Nichols.
Nordhaus.
O'Banion.
Parks.
Peyton.
Pillow.
Poage.
Pope.
Raiden.
Reeves.
Richards.
Robertson.
Sackett.
Sallas.
Schlesinger.
Schlosshan.
Scholl.
Seawright.
Smith of Bastrop.
Spencer of Nolan.
Spradley.
Swope.
Taylor.
Thomason
of El Paso.
Thomason
of Nacogdoches.
Thompson
of Hunt.
Thompson
of Red River.
Tillotson.
Tilson.
Trayler.
Tschoepe.
Valentine.
Veatch.
Walker.
White.
Williams
of Brazoria.
Williford.

Woods.	Yantis.	Osborne.	Taylor.
	Absent.	Parks.	Templeton.
Blackburn.	Moore.	Peddy.	Terrell.
Fitzpatrick.	Roemer.	Peyton.	Thomas.
Hill.	Russell.	Pillow.	Thomason
Lanier.	Sholars.	Poage.	of El Paso.
McCoy.	Templeton.	Pope.	Thomason
Metcalfe.	Upchurch.	Raiden.	of Nacogdoches.
	Absent—Excused.	Reeves.	Thompson
Bell.	Strayhorn.	Richards.	of Hunt.
Lacey.	Wahrmund.	Robertson.	Thompson
	Paired.	Rogers.	of Red River.
Mr. Bertram (present), who would vote		Russell.	Tillotson.
"yea," with Mr. Smith of Scurry (ab-		Sackett.	Tilson.
sent), who would vote "nay."		Sallas.	Tschoepe.
Question next recurring on the passage		Schlesinger.	Valentine.
of the bill to a third reading, yeas and		Schlosshan.	Veatch.
nays were demanded.		Scholl.	Walker.
The bill was passed to a third read-		Seawright.	White.
ing by the following vote:		Smith of Bastrop.	Williams
		Smith of Hopkins.	of Brazoria.
		Spencer of Nolan.	Williford.
		Spencer of Wise.	Wilson.
		Spradley.	Woods.
		Stewart.	Woodul.
		Swope.	Yantis.
	Yeas—122.		Nays—8.
Mr. Speaker.	Florer.	Brown.	Sentell.
Bagby.	Fly.	Canales.	Tinner.
Baker.	Greenwood.	Lee.	Williams
Beard of Harris.	Haidusek.	Lindemann.	of McLennan.
Beard of Milam.	Hardey.	O'Brien.	
Beasley.	Harris.		Present—Not Voting.
Beason.	Hartman.	Hudspeth.	Trayler.
Bedell.	Hawkins.		Absent.
Blackburn.	Holland.	Fitzpatrick.	Roemer.
Blackmon.	Johnson.	Hill.	Sholars.
Blalock.	Jones.	Lanier.	Upchurch.
Bland.	Laas.		Absent—Excused.
Bledsoe.	Laney.	Bell.	Strayhorn.
Boner.	Lange.	Lacey.	Wahrmund.
Bryan.	Lowe		Paired.
Bryant.	of McMullen.		Mr. Bertram (present), who would
Burton of Rusk.	Low		vote "nay," with Mr. Smith of Scurry
Burton of Tarrant.	of Washington.		(absent), who would vote "yea."
Butler.	McComb.		Reason for Vote.
Cadenhead.	McCoy.		I vote "nay" because I do not believe
Carlock.	McDowra.		the laboring people most vitally con-
Cates.	McFarland.		cerned have their interests protected
Clark.	McMillin.		herein, neither do I believe that they
Cope.	Martin.		want what the practical results of this
Cox.	Meador.		bill promise to be, and because under
Crudgington.	Mendell.		the provisions of this bill the laborer,
Davis of Dallas.	Metcalfe.		in effect, signs away his right to enter
Davis of Grimes.	Miller of Austin.		the courts and the right of trial by jury.
Davis	Miller of Dallas.		SENTELL.
of Van Zandt.	Monday.		
De Bogory.	Moore.		
Denton.	Morris.		
Dodd.	Murrell.		
Dudley.	Neeley.		
Dunnam.	Neill.		
Estes.	Nichols.		
Fairchild.	Nordhaus.		
Fisher.	O'Banion.		

Mr. Lange moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed to a third reading, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

SENATE BILL NO. 237 ON THIRD READING.

Mr. Lange moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that Senate bill No. 237 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—120.

Mr. Speaker.	Laney.
Bagby.	Lange.
Baker.	Lee.
Beard of Harris.	Lowe
Beard of Milam.	of McMullen.
Beason.	Low
Bedell.	of Washington.
Blackburn.	McComb.
Blackmon.	McCoy.
Blalock.	McDowra.
Bland.	McFarland.
Bledsoe.	McMillin.
Boner.	Martin.
Brown.	Meador.
Bryan.	Mendell.
Burton of Rusk.	Metcalfe.
Burton of Tarrant.	Miller of Austin.
Butler.	Miller of Dallas.
Cadenhead.	Monday.
Carlock.	Moore.
Cates.	Morris.
Clark.	Murrell.
Cope.	Neeley.
Cox.	Neill.
Crudgington.	Nichols.
Davis of Dallas.	Nordhaus.
Davis of Grimes.	O'Banion.
Davis	Osborne.
of Van Zandt.	Parks.
De Bogory.	Peddy.
Denton.	Peyton.
Dodd.	Pillow.
Dudley.	Poage.
Estes.	Pope.
Fairchild.	Raiden.
Fisher.	Reeves.
Florer.	Richards.
Fly.	Robertson.
Greenwood.	Russell.
Haidusek.	Sackett.
Hardey.	Sallas.
Harris.	Schlesinger.
Hawkins.	Schlosshan.
Holland.	Scholl.
Hudspeth.	Seawright.
Johnson.	Smith of Bastrop.
Jones.	Smith of Hopkins.
Laas.	Spencer of Nolan.

Spradley.	Tillotson.
Stewart.	Tilson.
Swope.	Tinner.
Taylor.	Tschoepe.
Templeton.	Valentine.
Terrell.	Veatch.
Thomas.	Walker.
Thomason	White.
of El Paso.	Williams
Thomason	of Brazoria.
of Nacogdoches.	Williford.
Thompson	Wilson.
of Hunt.	Woods.
Thompson	Woodul.
of Red River.	Yantis.

Nays—9.

Beasley.	Rogers.
Bryant.	Sentell.
Canales.	Spencer of Wise.
Lindemann.	Traylor.
O'Brien.	

Absent.

Dunnam.	Roemer.
Fitzpatrick.	Sholars.
Hartman.	Upchurch.
Hill.	Williams
Lanier.	of McLennan.

Absent—Excused.

Bell.	Strayhorn.
Lacey.	Wahrmund.

Paired.

Mr. Bertram (present), who would vote "nay," with Mr. Smith of Scurry (absent), who would vote "yea."

The Speaker then laid Senate bill No. 237 before the House on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time.

Question—Shall the bill be passed?

Yeas and nays were demanded, and the bill was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—120.

Mr. Speaker.	Burton of Tarrant.
Baker.	Butler.
Beard of Harris.	Cadenhead.
Beard of Milam.	Carlock.
Beasley.	Cates.
Beason.	Clark.
Bedell.	Cope.
Blackburn.	Cox.
Blackmon.	Crudgington.
Blalock.	Davis of Dallas.
Bland.	Davis of Grimes.
Bledsoe.	Davis
Boner.	of Van Zandt.
Brown.	De Bogory.
Bryan.	Denton.
Burton of Rusk.	Dodd.

Dudley.	Poage.
Estes.	Pope.
Fairchild.	Raiden.
Fisher.	Reeves.
Florer.	Richards.
Fly.	Robertson.
Greenwood.	Rogers.
Haidusek.	Russell.
Hardey.	Sackett.
Harris.	Sallas.
Hawkins.	Schlesinger.
Holland.	Schlosshan.
Hudspeth.	Scholl.
Johnson.	Seawright.
Jones.	Smith of Bastrop.
Laas.	Smith of Hopkins.
Laney.	Spencer of Nolan.
Lange.	Spencer of Wise.
Lindemann.	Spradley.
Lowe.	Stewart.
of McMullen.	Swope.
Low.	Taylor.
of Washington.	Templeton.
McComb.	Terrell.
McCoy.	Thomas.
McDowra.	Thomason
McFarland.	of El Paso.
McMillin.	Thomason
Martin.	of Nacogdoches.
Meador.	Thompson
Mendell.	of Hunt.
Metcalfe.	Thompson
Miller of Austin.	of Red River.
Miller of Dallas.	Tilson.
Monday.	Tinner.
Moore.	Tschoepe.
Morris.	Valentine.
Murrell.	Veatch.
Neeley.	Walker.
Neill.	White.
Nichols.	Williams
Nordhaus.	of Brazoria.
O'Banion.	Williford.
Osborne.	Wilson.
Parks.	Woods.
Peddy.	Woodul.
Peyton.	Yantis.
Pillow.	

Nays—4.

Canales.	O'Brien.
Lee.	Sentell.

Absent.

Bagby.	Roemer.
Bryant.	Sholars.
Dunnam.	Tillotson.
Fitzpatrick.	Trayler.
Hartman.	Upchurch.
Hill.	Williams
Lanier.	of McLennan.

Absent—Excused.

Bell.	Strayhorn.
Lacey.	Wahrmund.

Paired.

Mr. Bertram (present), who would vote "nay," with Mr. Smith of Scurry (absent), who would vote "yea."

Mr. Lange moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,

Austin, Texas, March 7, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed the following bills:

H. B. No. 693, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Sections 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 of an act to provide a special road law for Denton county, Texas, etc., and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 690, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create the Liberty Hill Independent School District in Williamson county, Texas, including the present Liberty Hill district of said county, etc., and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 673, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Skidmore Independent School District, known as Common School District No. 1, in Bee county, Texas, etc., and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 670, A bill to be entitled "An Act incorporating and creating the Knippa Independent School District of Uvalde county, Texas, etc., and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 653, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a special road law for Cherokee county, and providing for levying and collecting a road tax, authorizing the commissioners court of said county to employ road superintendents and laborers on the public roads thereof, etc., and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 645, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating the Florence Independent School District in Williamson county, Texas, including the present Florence Independent School District, etc., and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 621, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 69, Acts of the Thirty-third Legislature, Regular Session, so as to enlarge the territory of the Hutchins Independent School District in Dallas county, Texas;

and prescribing the metes and bounds thereof, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 620, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Tilden Independent School District in McMullen county, Texas, and defining its boundaries, etc., and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 606, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating the Wilmer Independent School District in Dallas county, Texas, etc., and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 593, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Chapter 74 (Senate bill No. 349) Acts of the Thirty-third Legislature, correcting field notes so as to make same identical with field notes of Common School District No. 5 of San Patricio county, Texas, as created by the commissioners court of said county May 13, 1902, and recorded in Volume 2, page 439, of the minutes of said court; and validating bonds issued by Common School District No. 5 of San Patricio county, Texas, and declaring same a legal and binding obligation outstanding against Mathis Independent District as hereinafter defined and described by metes and bounds, and declaring valid a maintenance tax heretofore levied, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 573, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating a more efficient road system for Dickens county, Texas, and making county commissioners ex-officio road commissioners of their respective precincts, and prescribing their powers and duties as such, etc., and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 564, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating the Ralls Independent School District in Crosby county, Texas, etc., and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 542, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 2, Chapter 30, of the Special Laws of the Thirty-first Legislature, as amended by Special Laws of the Thirty-second Legislature, being 'An Act to create a road commission for Jones, Haskell and Tyler counties.'"

H. B. No. 478, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 7 of Chapter 107, page 214, of the General Laws of the Thirty-second Legislature of 1911, and regulating the time for holding the district court in the various counties composing the Fiftieth Judicial District of Texas, so as to give Dickens county

one more week, and validating processes, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 536, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating a new road law for Travis county, and declaring an emergency," with amendments.

H. B. No. 354, A bill to be entitled "An Act to reorganize the Thirty-eighth, the Fifty-first, the Sixty-third and the Seventieth Judicial Districts of the State of Texas, and to create the Eighty-second Judicial District of the State of Texas, and to prescribe the time and fix the terms of holding the courts in each of the said judicial districts, and to conform all writs and process from such courts to such changes, and to provide for the appointment and election of a district judge and district attorney in said Eighty-second Judicial District, and to make all process issued or served before this act takes effect, including recognizances and bonds returnable to the terms of the courts in the several districts as herein fixed; to validate such process and to validate the summoning of grand and petit jurors and juries, repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 718, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a more efficient road system for Newton county, Texas, and creating the office of superintendent of public roads, etc., and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully,

G. H. BOYNTON,
Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

SPECIAL ORDER SET.

On motion of Mr. Hardey, House bill No. 237 was set as a special order for 10 o'clock a. m. next Friday, February 9.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas, March 7, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed the following:

S. B. No. 445, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a more efficient road law for Mason county, Texas, by amending Chapter 67 of the Special Laws of the Thirty-second Legislature, 1911, and to provide for the appointment of a superintendent of public roads and

bridges for Mason county, and to provide his qualifications, term of office and salary, defining his duties and powers, and providing for punishment for violation of his duties; providing certain duties and powers of the commissioners court of said county; providing for the appointment of overseers and defining their duties; and providing for and fixing their compensation for certain labor; giving persons subject to road duty in Mason county and persons summoned to work the road in said county the right to be relieved from the discharge of such upon the payment of specific sums of money herein stipulated; and providing for the accounting of and the disposition to be made of the money so paid; limiting the purpose for which road and bridge funds shall be used; authorizing and providing for the working of county convicts upon the public roads, and providing for the payment of officers fees; providing that delinquent poll taxpayers shall be subject to three days' road duty; requiring the tax collector of Mason county to furnish to the commissioners court a list of all persons who fail to pay their poll tax; providing for the condemnation of any lands needed for the widening, straightening, changing or draining of public roads; providing for the taking of timber, gravel, earth, stone or other material for the making or improving of public roads and bridges; providing the method in which payments shall be made for road work in Mason county; providing penalties for the violation of provisions of this act; providing that this act be cumulative of the general law, but shall control in Mason county in all cases wherein it conflicts with the general law on the subject of roads and bridges, and declaring an emergency."

The Senate grants the request of the House for the return of House Joint Resolution No. 19 for further consideration.

Respectfully,
JOHN D. McCALL,
Secretary of the Senate.

BILL ORDERED NOT PRINTED.

On motion of Mr. Neeley, by unanimous consent, it was ordered that Senate bill No. 414 be not printed.

SENATE BILL NO. 34 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

S. B. No. 34, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing a salary for district attorneys in counties having a population of more than 100,000 of \$500 and all fees, commissions and perquisites earned by such officer, and exempting such district attorney from making accounting as required by Articles 3894 to 3897, inclusive."

The bill was read third time.

Mr. Mendell offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend Senate bill No. 34, Section 1, so as to make it read "in any county having a population in excess of 65,000 inhabitants," and amend the caption to read accordingly.

The amendment was lost.

Question recurring on the final passage of the bill, yeas and nays were demanded.

The bill was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—60.

Bagby.	Metcalf.
Beard of Harris.	Miller of Austin.
Bedell.	Miller of Dallas.
Blackburn.	Moore.
Blalock.	Morris.
Boner.	Nordhaus.
Bryan.	O'Brien.
Burton of Tarrant.	Osborne.
Canales.	Peddy.
Carlock.	Pillow.
Cates.	Pope.
Davis	Reeves.
of Van Zandt.	Richards.
Dudley.	Russell.
Fisher.	Schlesinger.
Florer.	Schlosshan.
Haidusek.	Scholl.
Hardey.	Seawright.
Harris.	Spencer of Nolan.
Holland.	Spradley.
Hudspeth.	Swope.
Johnson.	Templeton.
Jones.	Thomason
Laas.	of El Paso.
Laney.	Thomason
Lange.	of Nacogdoches.
Lee.	Tschoepe.
Lowe	Valentine.
of McMullen.	Williford.
McComb.	Wilson.
Meador.	Woods.
Mendell.	Woodul.

Nays—46.

Baker.	Butler.
Beard of Milam.	Cadenhead.
Beasley.	Clark.
Beason.	Cope.
Bertram.	Cox.
Blackmon.	Crudgington.
Burton of Rusk.	Davis of Dallas.

Davis of Grimes.	Smith of Bastrop.
Denton.	Smith of Hopkins.
Dodd.	Spencer of Wise.
Estes.	Stewart.
Fairchild.	Taylor.
Hawkins.	Terrell.
McDowra.	Thomas.
McMillin.	Thompson
Murrell.	of Hunt.
Neeley.	Thompson
Neill.	of Red River.
Nichols.	Tinner.
O'Banion.	Traylor.
Peyton.	Veatch.
Poage.	Williams
Raiden.	of Brazoria.
Sackett.	Yantis.
Sentell.	

Absent.

Bland.	Martin.
Bledsoe.	Monday.
Brown.	Parks.
Bryant.	Robertson.
De Bogory.	Roemer.
Dunnam.	Rogers.
Fitzpatrick.	Sallas.
Fly.	Sholars.
Greenwood.	Smith of Scurry.
Hartman.	Tillotson.
Hill.	Tilson.
Lanier.	Upchurch.
Lindemann.	Walker.
Low	White.
of Washington.	Williams
McCoy.	of McLennan.
McFarland.	

Absent—Excused.

Bell.	Strayhorn.
Lacey.	Wahrmund.

Mr. Lange moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

SENATE BILL NO. 234 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

S. B. No. 234, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating the San Antonio Independent School District and defining its boundaries; declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time and was passed.

Mr. Lange moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

SENATE BILL NO. 202 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

S. B. No. 202, A bill to be entitled "An Act to change the name of Wil-lacy county to Milfin Kenedy county, and to repeal all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time.

(Mr. Spradley in the chair.)

Mr. Schlosshan offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend Senate bill No. 202 by striking out the word "Milfin" before the word "Kenedy" wherever it occurs in the bill.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Rogers moved to postpone further consideration of the bill indefinitely.

Mr. Beard of Harris moved to table the motion to postpone indefinitely.

Yeas and nays were demanded, and the motion to table was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—30.

Bagby.	McFarland.
Baker.	Martin.
Beard of Harris.	Mendell.
Bedell.	Neill.
Bland.	Parks.
Burton of Tarrant.	Pillow.
Canales.	Poage.
Cates.	Pope.
Cox.	Robertson.
Davis of Dallas.	Roemer.
Davis of Grimes.	Schlosshan.
Hardey.	Scholl.
Hartman.	Terrell.
Holland.	Tillotson.
Lowe	Valentine.
of McMullen.	

Nays—80.

Beard of Milam.	Estes.
Beasley.	Fairchild.
Beason.	Florer.
Blackburn.	Fly.
Blackmon.	Greenwood.
Blalock.	Harris.
Bledsoe.	Hawkins.
Boner.	Johnson.
Bryan.	Laas.
Bryant.	Laney.
Burton of Rusk.	Lange.
Butler.	Lee.
Cadenhead.	Lindemann.
Clark.	McComb.
Cope.	McCoy.
Crudgington.	McDowra.
Davis	McMillin.
of Van Zandt.	Meador.
De Bogory.	Metcalfe.
Dodd.	Miller of Dallas.
Dudley.	Monday.
Dunnam.	Morris.

Murrell.	Thomas.
Nichols.	Thomason
O'Banion.	of El Paso.
Peddy.	Thompson
Peyton.	of Hunt.
Raiden.	Thompson
Reeves.	of Red River.
Rogers.	Tilson.
Russell.	Tinner.
Sackett.	Trayler.
Sentell.	Tschoepe.
Schlesinger.	Veatch.
Seawright.	Walker.
Smith of Bastrop.	White.
Smith of Hopkins.	Williams
Spencer of Nolan.	of Brazoria.
Spencer of Wise.	Williford.
Stewart.	Wilson.
Swope.	Woods.
Taylor.	Yantis.
Templeton.	

Present—Not Voting.

Bertram.	Spradley.
O'Brien.	

Absent.

Brown.	Neeley.
Carlock.	Nordhaus.
Denton.	Osborne.
Fisher.	Richards.
Fitzpatrick.	Sallas.
Haidusek.	Sholars.
Hill.	Smith of Scurry.
Hudspeth.	Thomason
Jones.	of Nacogdoches.
Lanier.	Upchurch.
Low	Williams
of Washington.	of McLennan.
Miller of Austin.	Woodul.
Moore.	

Absent—Excused.

Bell.	Strayhorn.
Lacey.	Wahrmund.

Mr. Bertram moved the previous question on the motion to postpone indefinitely and the passage of the bill, and the main question was ordered.

Question first recurring on the motion to postpone indefinitely, yeas and nays were demanded.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—62.

Beard of Milam.	Burton of Rusk.
Beasley.	Butler.
Bertram.	Cadenhead.
Blackburn.	Clark.
Blackmon.	Cope.
Blalock.	Crudgington.
Bledsoe.	Davis of Dallas.
Boner.	Dodd.
Bryant.	Dudley.

Estes.	Russell.
Florer.	Sackett.
Fly.	Sentell.
Hill.	Schlesinger.
Johnson.	Seawright.
Laas.	Spencer of Wise.
Laney.	Stewart.
Lee.	Templeton.
Lindemann.	Thomas.
McComb.	Thomason
McMillin.	of El Paso.
Meador.	Thomason
Metcalf.	of Nacogdoches.
Moore.	Thompson
Murrell.	of Hunt.
Neeley.	Thompson
Neill.	of Red River.
Nichols.	Tilson.
O'Banion.	Trayler.
Peddy.	Walker.
Raiden.	Williford.
Reeves.	Wilson.
Roemer.	Woods.
Rogers.	Yantis.

Nays—10.

Bagby.	McDowra.
Baker.	McFarland.
Beard of Harris.	Mendell.
Bedell.	Parks.
Bryan.	Peyton.
Burton of Tarrant.	Pillow.
Canales.	Poage.
Cates.	Pope.
Davis of Grimes.	Schlosshan.
Dunnam.	Scholl.
Fairchild.	Smith of Bastrop.
Fisher.	Smith of Hopkins.
Greenwood.	Swope.
Haidusek.	Taylor.
Hardey.	Terrell.
Hartman.	Tinner.
Hawkins.	Tschoepe.
Holland.	Valentine.
Lange.	White.
Lowe	Williams
of McMullen.	of McLennan.

Present—Not Voting.

Beason.	Spradley.
Bland.	Veatch.
Miller of Dallas.	Williams
O'Brien.	of Brazoria.

Absent.

Brown.	Jones.
Carlock.	Lanier.
Cox.	Low
Davis	of Washington.
of Van Zandt.	McCoy.
De Bogory.	Martin.
Denton.	Miller of Austin.
Fitzpatrick.	Monday.
Harris.	Morris.
Hudspeth.	Nordhaus.

Osborne.	Smith of Scurry. 11
Richards.	Spencer of Nolan.
Robertson.	Tillotson.
Sallas.	Upchurch.
Sholars.	Woodul.

Absent—Excused.

Bell.	Strayhorn.
Lacey.	Wahrmund.

Reason for Vote.

Senator Willacy has made a personal request of me to vote for this measure, and ordinarily I would be glad to accede to any request from him. In this case, however, I am ignoring a request that would ordinarily be regarded as a command, because I am led to believe that the people of Texas would not understand our action in changing the name of the county, and such action would commonly be regarded as a slap at the good name of a Christian gentleman and a patriotic citizen.

BLALOCK.

Mr. Rogers moved to reconsider the vote by which the motion to postpone indefinitely prevailed, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

Mr. Boner moved that the House recess to 8 o'clock p. m. today.

Mr. Beird of Harris moved that the House adjourn until 10 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

The motions were lost.

SENATE BILL NO. 336 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

S. B. No. 336, A bill to be entitled "An Act to increase the authority and duties of the commissioners court of Nueces county, Texas, and of the county commissioners of said county, to require said county commissioners to devote their time and attention to the affairs of said county, and to fix the salary for the members of said commissioners court, and repealing all laws, general and special, in conflict with the provisions of this act, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time.

Mr. Pope offered the (committee) amendments to the bill.

The (committee) amendments were adopted, and on motion of Mr. Pope, were ordered not printed in the Journal.

Senate bill No. 336 was then passed.

RECESS.

Mr. Blalock moved that the House recess to 8 o'clock p. m. today.

Mr. O'Banion moved that the House adjourn until 9 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

The motion of Mr. Blalock prevailed, and the House, accordingly, at 5:50 o'clock p. m., took recess to 8 o'clock p. m. today.

NIGHT SESSION.

The House met at 8 o'clock p. m. and was called to order by the Speaker.

HOUSE BILL NO. 693 WITH SENATE AMENDMENTS.

Mr. Thomas called up from the Speaker's table, with Senate amendments, for consideration of the amendments,

H. B. No. 693, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 of an act to provide a special road law for Denton county, Texas, etc., and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, and the Senate amendments were read.

On motion of Mr. Thomas, the House concurred in the Senate amendments.

SENATE BILL NO. 174 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to a third reading,

S. B. No. 174, A bill to be entitled "An Act to validate, ratify and confirm the title to the south league of a two-league grant to Jose Antonio Sepulveda in Trinity county, abandoning all claims of the State of Texas to said land, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Mr. Fisher offered the following (committee) amendment to the bill:

Amend Section 1 of Senate bill No. 174 by striking therefrom the clause reading: "This act shall not apply to any defect of title that may have occurred after the original grant to the said Jose Antonio Sepulveda," and substituting therefor after the words "validated, ratified and confirmed," the following: "Unto the said Jose Antonio Sepulveda, his heirs or assigns, but no further."

The (committee) amendment was adopted.

Senate bill No. 174 was then passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 304 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to a third reading,

S. B. No. 304, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Turkey Independent School District in Hall county, Texas; providing for a board of trustees and conferring upon said district and its board of trustees all rights, powers and privileges and duties now conferred and imposed by the general laws of the State upon independent school districts and the board of trustees; to provide for the election of trustees, for the raising of revenue, issuing bonds, building and maintaining schoolhouses, maintaining public free schools, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 311 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to a third reading,

S. B. No. 311, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the county commissioners court of Grayson county, Texas, to appropriate money for the purpose of using additional farm demonstration agents and for a Canning Club demonstration agent."

The bill was read second time and was passed to third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 352 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to a third reading,

S. B. No. 352. A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 2, Chapter 75, Special Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirtieth Legislature of 1907, being an act to authorize, enable and permit the territory within the boundaries of the town of Estelline, in Hall county, Texas, and other lands and territory adjacent thereto to incorporate as independent school district for free school purposes only, known as Estelline Independent School District, with all the powers, rights and duties of independent school districts formed by incorporation

of towns and villages for free school purposes, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Mr. Cope offered the following (committee) amendment to the bill:

Amend Senate bill No. 352 as follows: by striking out all after the word "east" in line 8 of Section 1, down to and including the word "river," in line 15, and insert the following: "Thence east along the south line of sections 186, 2, 3, 17 and 18, to the east line of Hall county; thence north on the east line of Hall county to the south bank of Red river."

The amendment was adopted.

Senate bill No. 352 was passed to third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 363 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to a third reading,

S. B. No. 363, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prescribe the time of holding the terms of the district court in the various counties comprising the Thirty-eighth Judicial District of the State of Texas, and to repeal all laws in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 385 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to a third reading,

S. B. No. 385. A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a more efficient road law for Jim Wells county, Texas: fixing the compensation of the commissioners of Jim Wells county when acting as ex-officio road commissioners, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Mr. Sackett offered the (committee) amendments to the bill.

The (committee) amendments were adopted, and by unanimous consent, are omitted from the Journal.

Senate bill No. 385 was then passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 406 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to a third reading,

S. B. No. 406, A bill to be entitled

"An Act to amend Section 7 of Chapter 6 of the Special Laws passed at the Regular Session of the Thirty-fourth Legislature, 1915, being an act entitled 'An Act to create a more efficient road system for Wood county, etc.,' and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 407 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to a third reading,

S. B. No. 407, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 1, Chapter 67, Special Laws of Texas, Acts of the Thirty-first Legislature, Regular Session, entitled 'An Act creating the Hamlin Independent School District in Jones county, Texas, defining its boundaries; providing for the election of a board of trustees to manage and control the public free schools within said district, and declaring an emergency.'"

The bill was read second time and was passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 414 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to a third reading,

S. B. No. 414, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating a more efficient road system for Grimes county, Texas, etc., and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 417 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to a third reading,

S. B. No. 417, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Aspermont Independent School District in Stonewall county, Texas; defining its metes and bounds; vesting it with rights, powers, duties and privileges of independent school districts incorporated for free school purposes under the General Laws of this State; providing a board of trustees therefor; providing that the outstanding indebtedness of the Aspermont Independent School District as same was incorporated under the General Laws of this State shall be assumed by the Aspermont Independent School District as cre-

ated by this Act, etc., and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 424 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to a third reading,

S. B. No. 424, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 69 of the Special Laws passed at the Regular Session of the Thirty-second Legislature, and approved by the Governor on March 23, 1911, being an act entitled 'An Act incorporating the Winnsboro Independent School District in Wood and Franklin counties, Texas, for free school purposes only, defining its boundaries and providing a board of trustees, etc.'"

The bill was read second time and was passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 430 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to a third reading,

S. B. No. 430, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend special road law of Morris county, passed by the Thirty-first Legislature and amended at the Regular Session of the Thirty-fourth Legislature, and creating a more efficient road law for Morris county."

The bill was read second time and was passed to third reading.

HOUSE BILL NO. 755 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 755, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating a special road law for Eastland county."

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 767 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 767, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend the caption of Chapter 41 of the local and special laws of Texas, passed by the Regular Session of the Thirty-third Legislature, the

same being a McLennan county road law and being Senate bill No. 360, etc."

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 782 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 782, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 8, Chapter 119, of the General Laws of the State of Texas, passed by the Regular Session of the Thirty-second Legislature of the State of Texas, 1911, relating to official shorthand reporters' compensation in Bexar county."

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 789 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 789, A bill to be entitled "An Act to establish Common School District No. 10 in Dickens county, Texas, etc., and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 790 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 790, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Stanton Independent School District of Martin county, Texas, by adding the present Stanton Independent School District more territory, etc., and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 791 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 791, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Newton Independent School District, etc., and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 795 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 795, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating the Goldthwaite Independent School District in Mills county, Texas, including the town of Goldthwaite, etc., and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Mr. White offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend field notes in Section 1 in the eighth call by changing the distance 5870 varas to 5770 varas.

The amendment was adopted.

House bill No. 795 was then passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 796 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 796, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Pineland Independent School District No. 3 in Sabine county, etc., and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 802 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 802, A bill to be entitled "An Act changing the boundaries of Caps Independent School District, and View Common School District No. 52, in Taylor county, Texas, etc., and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 806 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 806, A bill to be entitled "An Act to incorporate the city of Plainview, Hale county, Texas, and to grant it a charter; to define its powers and prescribe its territorial limits, duties and liabilities; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 811 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 811, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a more efficient road system for Trinity county, Texas, etc., and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Mr. Peyton offered the following (committee) amendments to the bill:

(1)

Amend House bill No. 811 by striking out Section 54 and by numbering the following sections accordingly.

(2)

Amend House bill No. 811 by striking out Sections 65 and 66, and inserting the following three Sections 65, 66 and 67:

"Sec. 65. When the county is operating under the system of superintendents, the superintendent shall collect all moneys required by law and turn same in as herein provided, and all overseers shall be under control of the superintendent.

"Sec. 66. This act shall be cumulative of all laws of the State on the subject of roads and bridges and employment of county convicts not in conflict herewith, and where not otherwise provided herein such general laws shall apply; but in case of conflict with general laws, this act shall govern; and the courts of the State shall have and take judicial cognizance of this act in the same manner and to the same extent as they are required to know and notice the general laws of the State.

"Sec. 67. The vast amount of important business pending, and the fact that the roads of said counties are in a deplorable condition for the want of a more efficient road law, creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity requiring that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and it is so enacted, and that this act take effect from and after its passage."

The amendments were adopted.

House bill No. 811 was passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 813 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House,

on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 813, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating Smiley Independent School District, in Gonzales county, Texas, etc., and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 815 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 815, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Title 5, Article 30, paragraph 21, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas of 1911, which article provides for judicial districts of the State, and which paragraph defines the Twenty-first Judicial District and determines the date and length of term of such district court in each of the counties of the said district, and which amendment provides for a change in the term of the said court in Lee county."

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

SENATE BILL NO. 433 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to a third reading,

S. B. No. 433, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 6 of 6a of an act to reorganize the Twenty-eighth Judicial District of the State of Texas, and to create a criminal district court for the counties of Nueces, Kleberg, Wilbrey and Cameron, being known as Senate bill No. 330, passed by the Thirty-fifth Legislature and approved February 26, 1917, and to conform all writs and processes from such courts to such changes, including recognizances and bonds, and to repeal all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Mr. Pope offered the (committee) amendments to the bill.

The (committee) amendments were adopted, and by unanimous consent, are omitted from the Journal.

S. B. No. 433 was then passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 271 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House,

on its second reading and passage to a third reading.

S. B. No. 271, A bill to be entitled "An Act to validate the incorporation of the city of Texas City, and to declare valid all acts pertaining to the incorporation of said city, and to declare valid and binding each and every of the official acts of the mayor and city commissioners sitting as a board of commissioners, since the incorporation of said city of Texas City."

The bill was read second time and was passed to a third reading.

HOUSE BILL NO. 544 ON THIRD READING.

On motion of Mr. Nordhaus, by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up and have placed on its third reading and final passage.

H. B. No. 544, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 984 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas of 1911, so as to authorize cities and towns to require the filling up, draining and regulating of any lot or lots, grounds or yards, or other places in the city or town which shall be unwholesome, or have stagnant water therein or from any other cause be in such condition as to be liable to produce disease: to cause or make inspection of all premises and to impose fine on the owners of houses under which stagnant water may be found or upon whose premises stagnant water may be found, and to pass such ordinances as they may deem necessary for the purposes aforesaid, and making, filling up, altering or repairing of all sinks and privies, and directing the mode and material for constructing them in the future, and for cleansing and disinfecting the same; and for cleansing of houses, buildings, yards or grounds of filth, carrion or impure or unwholesome matter of any kind, and to punish the owner or occupant violating the provisions of any ordinance so passed as aforesaid; and providing for the removal of weeds, rubbish, brush, etc., from lots, and empowering the city or town council, city commissioners, or other governing body of such city or town to make or cause such improvements to be made at the expense of the city on account of the owners, and to cause the expense of such improvements or work to be assessed on the real estate, or lot or lots for or upon which work is done or improvements are made;

and making provisions for notice to owners, and providing that a lien may be fixed upon such lot or lots, etc., for the improvement made, or caused to be made by the city or town, or for the work done, and also providing how the amounts expended in such improvements or work may be fixed, and providing for suit and foreclosure of the lien so given and the rate of interest to be paid on amounts so expended, repealing all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, it was read third time and was passed.

Mr. Nordhaus moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

SENATE BILL NO. 376 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

S. B. No. 376. A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Sections 7, 9 and 38 and add a new section thereto to be known as Section 42a, and extending the provisions of said act to the counties of McMullen and Atascosa, of Chapter 49 of the General Laws of the State of Texas for the year 1901, entitled 'An Act to create a more efficient road system for Fayette, Uvalde and Frio counties, Texas.'"

The bill was read third time.

Mr. Harris offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend Senate bill No. 376 by striking out "Uvalde, Frio, McMullen and Atascosa counties" wherever they appear in the bill.

The amendment was adopted.

Senate bill No. 376 was then passed.

SENATE BILL NO. 377 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

S. B. No. 377. A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 58 of the Special Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Texas; creating the Huntsville Independent School District in Walker county, Texas, and defining its boundaries, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time and was passed.

SENATE BILL NO. 389 ON THIRD
READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

S. B. No. 389, A bill to be entitled "An Act to incorporate the Calvert Independent School District, in Robertson county, Texas, etc., and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time and was passed.

SENATE BILL NO. 395 ON THIRD
READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

S. B. No. 395, A bill to be entitled "An Act to define and construe an act approved March 16, 1907, being Chapter 26 of the Special Laws of the Thirty-first Legislature, and amendments thereto, by an act approved September 1, 1910, being Chapter 1 of Special Laws of Fourth Session of Thirty-first Legislature, 1910, authorizing the county of Galveston to build and construct a causeway and to issue bonds therefor, etc., and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time and was passed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 669 ON THIRD
READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

H. B. No. 669, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Sections 2, 3 and 14 of an act creating the county court of Dallas county at law, passed at the Regular Session of the Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Texas, and approved April 3, 1907, and adding thereto Sections 15 and 16, so as to restore to the county court of Dallas county jurisdiction in all matters and causes, civil and criminal, over which by the general laws of the State county courts have jurisdiction, providing for the manner of filing and transferring cases, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time and was passed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 471 ON THIRD
READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

H. B. No. 471, A bill to be entitled "An Act conveying to the United States of America all right, title and interest which the State of Texas may have or hold in and to the following described

tract of land, situated in the city of Galveston, county of Galveston, State of Texas, known and described on the maps and plats of said city now in common use as being the tract of land located on the dyke in Galveston bay, described as follows: Commencing at a point on the U. S. dyke bulkhead, same being the S. W. corner of a piece of ground leased to J. P. McDonough by the city of Galveston, Texas; thence S. 76 deg. 54½' W. 82.8 ft. to place of beginning, same being approximately on center line of Twenty-fifth Street produced; thence along said bulkhead S. 76 deg. 54½' W. 310.6 ft.; thence N. 28 deg. 08½' W. 500 ft.; thence N. 76 deg. 54½' E. 310.6 ft. parallel to said bulkhead; thence S. 28 deg. 08½' E. parallel to and 80 feet W. of W. line of said J. P. McDonough's lease 500 feet to place of beginning; containing 3.44 acres; for the purpose of enabling the United States government to build thereon a lighthouse depot, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time and was passed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 560 ON SECOND
READING.

On motion of Mr. Pillow, by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended, to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment.

H. B. No. 560, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide an annual vacation to paid firemen in cities of 2500 inhabitants or over; providing that the city official having supervision of the fire department shall designate the days each fireman is to be on vacation; prescribing penalties for the violation thereof, and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, it was read second time, and was passed to engrossment.

SENATE BILL NO. 204 ON SECOND
READING.

On motion of Mr. Valentine, by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to a third reading.

S. B. No. 204, A bill to be entitled "An Act to repeal Section 4, Chapter 150, of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-third Legislature, as amended by Chapter 13, Acts of the

First Called Session of the Thirty-third Legislature, relating to the payment of in-county witnesses in felony cases, and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, it was read second time, and was passed to a third reading.

HOUSE BILL NO. 282 ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mr. Beason, by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 282, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1121, Chapter 2, Title 25, Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, relating to private corporations by adding thereto Section 77; providing for the building and operating dry docks and marine ways, repairing and constructing vessels and doing other repair and construction work in connection therewith."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, and it was read second time.

Mr. Bedell offered the following amendments to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 282 by adding Section 78 to read as follows:

"Section 78. That a corporation may be formed and chartered for the purpose of selling, handling, repairing and construction of motorcycles, motor vehicles and motorcycle and motor vehicle accessories.

"Sec. 2. That there is now no adequate law covering the subject matter of this act, together with the crowded condition of the calendar, and together with the fact of the importance of this matter, creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity requiring the suspension of the constitutional rule requiring bill to be read on three several days and that this act take effect at once, and such rule is hereby suspended, and it is so enacted."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Bedell offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 282, lines 15 and 16 of the printed bill, by striking out the words "Section 77" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "Sections 77 and 78."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Bedell offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 282, line 12, in the caption of the printed bill, by

striking out the period and inserting in lieu thereof a semicolon and inserting thereafter the words, "and Section 78, providing for the selling, handling, repairing and construction of motorcycles and motor vehicles and motorcycle and motor vehicle accessories, and declaring an emergency."

The amendment was adopted.

House bill No. 282 was then passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 584 ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mr. Woods, by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 584, A bill to be entitled "An Act to fix a uniform date upon which officers elected at a general election shall qualify and assume the duties of their respective offices, and repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, it was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 595 ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mr. Schlesinger, by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended, to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 595, A bill to be entitled "An Act prescribing the duties of the district attorney and county attorney with reference to habeas corpus proceedings and examining trials in counties where there is not a resident criminal district attorney, and repealing Article 31, Title 1, Chapter 2, of the Code of Criminal Procedure, and repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, it was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 783 ON THIRD READING.

On motion of Mr. Swope, by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended, to take up and have placed on its third reading and final passage,

H. B. No. 783, A bill to be entitled "An Act to make an appropriation to

pay debts contracted by the Prison Commission prior to January 7, 1915; making an itemized statement of such debts; making an appropriation to pay the interest which has or may accrue from the dates of maturity of such debts until the same are severally paid, and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, and it was read third time.

Mr. Terrell offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 783, page 11, by adding at the close of Section 5, line 36, the following: "Provided further, that the Comptroller of Public Accounts shall, before issuing any warrant to any claimant under the provisions of this act, require each claimant to make affidavit that he has not paid any attorney any fee or compensation to secure the collection of said claim and that no such fee or compensation has been promised to any attorney, and that no fee or compensation will be paid for the collection of such claim. Such affidavit shall be filed with the Comptroller before any warrant shall be issued to pay said claims."

Mr. Russell offered the following amendment to the amendment:

Amend the amendment by inserting after the word "attorney" wherever it occurs the words "who is a member of the Thirty-fifth Legislature."

Mr. Thomason of El Paso moved to table the amendment to the amendment and the amendment.

On motion of Mr. Blalock, further consideration of the bill was postponed until 10 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

HOUSE BILL NO. 365 ON THIRD READING.

On motion of Mr. Williams of Brazoria, by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended, to take up and have placed on its third reading and final passage,

H. B. No. 365, A bill to be entitled "An Act to permit S. S. Perry of Brazoria county, Texas, to bring suit against the State of Texas for an alleged damage growing out of an alleged breach of contract entered into by and between the said S. S. Perry and the Board of Prison Commissioners, September 20, 1911."

The bill was read third time.

Mr. Woods offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 365 by striking

out all of Section 1 following the word "parties" on line 26, page 1.

The amendment was adopted.

House bill No. 365 was then passed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 786 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

H. B. No. 786, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a special fish law for Wood county; exempting said county from certain provisions of the general fish and game laws of Texas; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time and was passed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 776 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 776, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 56 of the Local and Special Laws of the State of Texas, passed at the Regular Session of the Thirty-second Legislature, which said act was 'An Act incorporating the Meridian Independent School District in Bosque county, Texas, for free school purposes only, etc., and declaring an emergency.'"

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 744 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

H. B. No. 744, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prevent the selling of bass and white perch or crappie or channel catfish taken from the fresh waters in the county of Tom Green, State of Texas; making it unlawful to use any dynamite or other explosives in the killing or catching of any fish in any of the fresh waters of said county and providing a penalty for the violation thereof; prohibiting the use of any seine, drag net, trammel net or other net other than a minnow seine, which shall not be more than ten feet in length, limiting the number of fish to be taken in any one day; providing that the district judge of the judicial district in which Tom Green county is situated shall give a special charge upon this law to the grand juries of Tom Green county; providing a pen-

alty for the violation hereof, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time and was passed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 747 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

H. B. No. 747, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating a more efficient road system for Grimes county, Texas, etc., and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time and was passed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 749 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

H. B. No. 749, A bill to be entitled "An Act permitting the commissioners court of Donley county, Texas, to pay the members of said court the sum of \$4 per day while serving at the terms of said court."

The bill was read third time and was passed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 740 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

H. B. No. 740, A bill to be entitled "An Act to repeal Chapter 71, Special Acts of 1915, Thirty-fourth Legislature of Texas, creating a special road system for Milam county, etc., and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time and was passed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 757 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

H. B. No. 757, A bill to be entitled "An Act to fix the time of holding the courts in the Sixty-fourth Judicial District of Texas; to validate all process, bonds and recognizances heretofore taken in the courts of said district and all judgments therein rendered, or to be rendered; repealing all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time and was passed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 765 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

H. B. No. 765, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Aspermont Independent School District in Stonewall county, Texas; declaring its metes and bounds, etc., and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time and was passed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 769 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

H. B. No. 769, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Sections 6 and 7 of the special road law in force in Van Zandt county, as enacted by the Thirty-third Legislature and approved March 25, 1913," etc.

The bill was read third time and was passed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 779 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

H. B. No. 779, A bill to be entitled "An Act increasing Valera Common School District No. 52 to conform to certain metes and bounds; providing that said district shall be governed by the general laws of the State, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time and was passed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 52 ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mr. Tilson, the regular order of business was suspended to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 52, A bill to be entitled "An Act to exempt from taxation all buffalo and catalo now in captivity in Texas, by whomsoever owned, where such animals are kept and used for experimental purposes in crossing same with cattle for the purpose of producing a better strain of beef, etc., and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, and it was read second time.

Mr. Tilson offered the following (committee) amendment to the bill:

Amend by striking out of the caption the following: "But for the pleasure of their owners and general public," and strike out the same language where it appears in Section 2.

The amendment was adopted.

House bill No. 52 was then passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 216 ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mr. Thomason of El Paso, by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment.

H. B. No. 216, A bill to be entitled "An Act for the protection of citizens of this State, and of the United States, and citizens of countries having equal treaty rights with the United States on behalf of their citizens, who may be killed or injured in a foreign State or country, and providing for the procedure of trying such suits and causes of action in the courts of the State of Texas, and providing compensation therefor, and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, it was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

SENATE BILL NO. 442 ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mr. O'Brien, by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to a third reading.

S. B. No. 442, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 53, Article 1121, Title 25, Chapter 2, of Vernon's Sayles' Texas Civil Statutes, being the Act of the Thirtieth Legislature, Chapter 157, General Laws, page 299, and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, it was read second time and was passed to a third reading.

HOUSE BILL NO. 681 ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mr. Pope, by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment.

H. B. No. 681, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the city council, board of aldermen, or other governing body of any city or town in this State, whether operating under special charter or the general law, to appropriate at the end of each fiscal year, so much of the net revenues of any waterworks system or other public utility system, service or enterprise owned by said city

or town as such body shall deem to the best interest of said city or town, to the payment of the sinking fund and interest on the bonded indebtedness of such system, service or enterprise; such sum so appropriated to be used for no other purpose; providing for the levy of a tax for raising such sinking fund and interest where such appropriation is insufficient as herein provided, and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, it was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 454 ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mr. Bedell, by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended, to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment.

H. B. No. 454, A bill to be entitled "An Act granting the right of contribution among defendants in judgment in cases arising out of tort, and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, it was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. Miller of Dallas moved that the House adjourn until 9:30 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

The motion prevailed, and the House, accordingly, at 10 o'clock p. m., adjourned until 9:30 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

APPENDIX.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 7, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred House bill No. 420, have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

METCALFE, Vice-Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 7, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Agriculture,

to whom was referred House bill No. 144, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

METCALFE, Vice-Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 7, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred House bill No. 26, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

METCALFE, Vice-Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 7, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred House bill No. 256, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

METCALFE, Vice-Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 7, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred House bill No. 421, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

METCALFE, Vice-Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 7, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 311, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

METCALFE, Vice-Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 7, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Agriculture, to whom was referred House bill No.

721, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass. Mr. Terrell has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

METCALFE, Vice-Chairman.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIAL DISTRICTS.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 6, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Judicial Districts, to whom was referred House bill No. 815, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

TEMPLETON, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 6, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Judicial Districts, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 247, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass, as amended.

TEMPLETON, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 7, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Judicial Districts, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 116, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

TEMPLETON, Chairman.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 6, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 417, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

THOMASON of Nacogdoches, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 6, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred House bill No. 813, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

THOMASON of Nacogdoches, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 6, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred House bill No. 794, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

THOMASON of Nacogdoches, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 7, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred House bill No. 822, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

THOMASON of Nacogdoches, Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRIVATE CORPORATIONS.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 6, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Private Corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 810, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass. Mr. Hartman has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

LOW of Washington, Chairman.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 6, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Public Health, to whom was referred Senate

bill No. 55, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

DAVIS of Grimes, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 6, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Public Health, to whom was referred House bill No. 787, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass. Mr. Beason has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

DAVIS of Grimes, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 6, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Public Health, to whom was referred House bill No. 817, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass. Mr. Bedell has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

DAVIS of Grimes, Chairman.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON REFORMS IN CRIMINAL PROCEDURE.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 7, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Reforms in Criminal Procedure, to whom was referred House bill No. 809, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

SPENCER of Wise, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 7, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Reforms in Criminal Procedure, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 241, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass. Mr. Holland has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

SPENCER of Wise, Chairman.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON EN-
GROSSED BILLS.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 7, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House
of Representatives.Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed
Bills have carefully examined and com-
pared

H. B. No. 783, A bill to be entitled
"An Act to make an appropriation to
pay debts contracted by the Prison Com-
mission prior to January 7, 1915; mak-
ing an itemized statement of such debts;
making an appropriation to pay the in-
terest which has or may accrue from
the date of maturity of such debts un-
til the same are severally paid, and de-
claring an emergency,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.

RUSSELL, Vice-Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 7, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House
of Representatives.Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed
Bills have carefully examined and com-
pared

H. B. No. 355, A bill to be entitled
"An Act to amend Article 854, Title 22,
Chapter 4, Revised Civil Statutes of
1911, as amended by Senate bill No.
342, Chapter 152, page 326, of the Gen-
eral Laws of the State of Texas, passed
by the Thirty-third Legislature at its
Regular Session, so as to provide for
working of the streets by male inhabit-
ants of cities and towns incorporated
under the General Laws, not exceeding
five days for each year; and providing
for the payment of money in lieu of such
work; and authorizing such cities and
towns to enforce such provisions by ap-
propriate ordinances, and including the
fixing of penalties and fines for viola-
tion thereof."

H. B. No. 582, A bill to be entitled
"An Act regulating the manner of serv-
ice of subpoenas issued in any civil or
criminal action or upon any proceeding
before an examining court, coroner's
inquest, grand jury or before a judge
hearing an application under habeas
corpus, or in any case or matter where
any witnesses may be summoned; au-
thorizing the execution of such subpoena
either by reading the same in the pres-
ence of the witness or by reading the
same over the telephone, or by posting

a certified copy of the same in the mails
by registered letter; providing that no
mileage shall be charged for the service
had over the telephone or by mail; pro-
viding that expense of telephone calls,
postage, and registration fees may be
charged as costs; providing for personal
service in event return receipt is not
received; providing that the parties, or
their attorneys, or any court or grand
jury may designate the method of serv-
ice; providing for the making of return
on such subpoena by the officer; repeal-
ing Article 3642 of the Revised Civil
Statutes, 1911, and Article 527, Code of
Criminal Procedure, 1911, and declar-
ing an emergency."

H. B. No. 465, A bill to be entitled
"An Act to provide for the purchase
of a site for, and for the establish-
ment, location, and construction of, an
asylum to be known as the Northwest
Texas Insane Asylum for the care,
treatment and support of white insane
persons, and to make an appropriation
therefor, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 36, A bill to be entitled -
"An Act to create a Commission of Ap-
peals of Texas and to define the powers
and duties thereof; and for the appoint-
ment of their stenographers and porter,
and the furnishing of rooms for their
use in the Capitol, and declaring an
emergency."

And find them correctly engrossed.

RUSSELL, Vice-Chairman.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON EN-
ROLLED BILLS.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 6, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House
of Representatives.Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled
Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 138, "An Act to be known
as the interchangeable jury law, to reg-
ulate the selection, organization and
custody of juries in all cases except
capital and lunacy cases in counties
where there are now three or more or
may hereafter be established three or
more district courts, and to repeal all
laws in conflict herewith,"

Have carefully compared same, and
find it correctly enrolled, and have this
day, at 3:20 o'clock p. m., presented
same to the Governor for his approval.

McCOY, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 6, 1917.
Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House
of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled
Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 302, "An Act to amend Article 886, Title 13, Offences Against Public Property, Chapter 6, Penal Code of 1911, of the State of Texas, relative to the protection of certain game, so as to prohibit the killing thereof for the next twenty-five years; repealing all laws in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same, and find it correctly enrolled, and have this day, at 3:20 o'clock p. m., presented same to the Governor for his approval.

McCOY, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 6, 1917.
Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House
of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled
Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 40, "An Act making it a misdemeanor to kill or in any manner injure the winged quadruped known as the common bat; repealing all laws in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same, and find it correctly enrolled, and have this day, at 3:20 o'clock p. m., presented same to the Governor for his approval.

McCOY, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 6, 1917.
Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House
of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled
Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 39, "An Act to relieve the crowded condition of the dockets of the Supreme Court by further regulating the mode in which and the conditions on which judgments of the Courts of Civil Appeals may be brought before the Supreme Court for revision, granting additional powers to the Chief Justice and Associate Justices of the Supreme Court and of the Courts of Civil Appeals, as incidental to the offices held by them; providing for compensation of certain Justices of the Courts of Civil Appeals while acting as herein provided, and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same, and

find it correctly enrolled, and have this day, at 3:20 o'clock p. m., presented same to the Governor for his approval.

McCOY, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 6, 1917.
Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House
of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled
Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 300, "An Act to increase the authority and duties of the commissioners court of Calhoun county, Texas, and of the county commissioners of said county; to require said county commissioners to devote their entire time and attention to the affairs of said county, and to fix the salary for the members of said commissioners court, and repealing all laws, general and special, in conflict with the provisions of this act, and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same, and find it correctly enrolled, and have this day, at 3:20 o'clock p. m., presented same to the Governor for his approval.

McCOY, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 6, 1917.
Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House
of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled
Bills, to whom was referred

H. C. R. No. 19, Granting the Honorable P. O. Beard, Judge of the Seventy-first Judicial District of Texas, leave of absence from the State during summer vacations of his court,

Have carefully compared same, and find it correctly enrolled, and have this day, at 3:20 o'clock p. m., presented same to the Governor for his approval.

McCOY, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 6, 1917.
Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House
of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled
Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 640, "An Act to create the Wheeler Independent School District of Wheeler county, Texas, and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same, and find it correctly enrolled, and have this day, at 3:20 o'clock p. m., presented same to the Governor for his approval.

McCOY, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 6, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House
of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled
Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 16, "An Act prohibiting
the sale or offering for sale of road
vehicles of certain carrying capacity with
tires of less than the herein prescribed
width within the State of Texas, fixing
penalties for the violation thereof; pro-
viding the time at which such act shall
take effect, and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same, and
find it correctly enrolled, and have this
day, at 3:20 o'clock p. m., presented
same to the Governor for his approval.

McCOY, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 6, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House
of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled
Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 247, "An Act to amend Chap-
ter 84, H. B. 653 of the Acts of the Reg-
ular Session of the Thirty-fourth Legis-
lature of Texas by a special law for the
preservation of bass and other fish of
the bass species, and of perch, sunfish
and crappie, and other fish of the perch,
sunfish and crappie species, in the follow-
ing locality: in any water which is lo-
cated in the valley of the Medina river
from where the lower or diversion dam
above the town of Castroville crosses the
Medina river, in Medina county, Texas,
to a point on the Medina river in Ban-
dera county, Texas, which by following
the meanders of the Medina river up-
wards toward its source, shall constitute
a distance of twenty-five miles, and in
any of the waters which are impounded
by the lower or diversion dam above the
town of Castroville, in Medina county,
Texas, and in any of the waters that are
impounded by the upper or main dam in
Medina county, Texas, which is located
about four miles above said lower or di-
version dam; and making it unlawful to
catch and retain, or have possession of
any bass, or other fish of the bass species
which are less than eleven inches in
length, or to catch and retain or have
possession of, in any one day, a total ag-
gregate of more than ten bass or other
fish of the bass species, or to catch and
retain, or have possession of, in any one
day, a total aggregate of more than twenty
perch, crappie or sunfish, or other fish

of the perch, crappie or sunfish species,
and making it unlawful to sell, offer for
sale, or buy any fish caught in any of
said water, and providing that the special
act shall be cumulative of the general
laws of the State and not repeal same,
and providing for a penalty for viola-
tion of said special law, and declaring an
emergency, and fixing the venue of the
prosecutions for violations of the law,
and providing it shall not be unlawful to
catch and retain more than twenty perch
to be used for bait, providing none of such
perch so caught for bait are larger than
two inches long, and declaring an emer-
gency,"

Have carefully compared same, and
find it correctly enrolled, and have this
day, at 3:20 o'clock p. m., presented same
to the Governor for his approval.

McCOY, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 6, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House
of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled
Bills, to whom was referred

H. J. R. No. 2, To amend Section 10,
Article 1, of the Constitution of the
State of Texas, providing for certain
rights of accused persons in criminal
prosecutions, and the manner in which
the case may be prosecuted, and provid-
ing for the procuring of the testimony
of the witnesses for both defense and
prosecution,

Have carefully compared same, and
find it correctly enrolled, and have this
day, at 3:20 o'clock p. m., presented
same to the Governor for his approval.

McCOY, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 6, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House
of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled
Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 50, "An Act to establish
and create a Criminal District Court
for Tarrant county; to provide for the
jurisdiction of and procedure in said
court; to fix the time for holding the
terms of said court; to provide for
the appointment, election, qualification,
duties, powers and compensation of a
judge of said court; depriving and di-
vesting the district courts of Tarrant
county of jurisdiction of all criminal
cases; providing from and after the

taking effect of this act for the transfer of all criminal cases from the district courts of the Seventeenth, Forty-eighth and Sixty-seventh Judicial Districts of Tarrant county to the Criminal District Court of Tarrant county created by this act; providing that the county attorney, the sheriff and the clerk of the district court of Tarrant county shall be the county attorney, sheriff and clerk of the district court, respectively, of the court created by this act, under the same rules and regulations as are now, or may hereafter, be prescribed by law for the government of such officials; providing for the fees to be received by such officers for such services, and repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act, and declaring an emergency."

Have carefully compared same, and find it correctly enrolled, and have this day, at 3:20 o'clock p. m., presented same to the Governor for his approval.

McCOY, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 6, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 38, "An Act to amend Articles 1521, 1522, 1543, 1544 and 1526 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, as amended by the Acts of the Thirty-third Legislature, approved March 28, 1913, defining the original and appellate jurisdiction of the Supreme Court, and regulating the practice therein,"

Have carefully compared same, and find it correctly enrolled, and have this day, at 3:20 o'clock p. m., presented same to the Governor for his approval.

McCOY, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 6, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 43, "An Act to amend Article 1143, Chapter 3, Title 15 of the Code of Criminal Procedure as amended by Chapter 20 of the Acts of the State of Texas,"

Have carefully compared same, and find it correctly enrolled, and have this day, at 3:20 o'clock p. m., presented same to the Governor for his approval.

McCOY, Chairman.

FORTY-SECOND DAY.

(Thursday, March 8, 1917.)

The House met at 9:30 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment.

(Speaker Fuller in the chair.)

The roll was called and the following members were present:

Bagby.	McComb.
Baker.	McCoy.
Beard of Harris.	McDowra.
Beard of Milam.	McFarland.
Beasley.	McMillin.
Beason.	Martin.
Bedell.	Meador.
Bertram.	Mendell.
Blackburn.	Metcalfe.
Blackmon.	Miller of Austin.
Blalock.	Miller of Dallas.
Bland.	Moore.
Bledsoe.	Morris.
Boner.	Murrell.
Bryan.	Neill.
Bryant.	Nichols.
Burton of Rusk.	Nordhaus.
Butler.	O'Banion.
Cadenhead.	O'Brien.
Canales.	Osborne.
Carlock.	Parks.
Cates.	Peddy.
Clark.	Peyton.
Cope.	Pillow.
Cox.	Poage.
Crudgington.	Pope.
Davis of Dallas.	Raiden.
Davis of Grimes.	Reeves.
De Bogory.	Robertson.
Denton.	Roemer.
Dodd.	Rogers.
Dudley.	Russell.
Dunnam.	Sackett.
Estes.	Sallas.
Fairchild.	Sentell.
Florer.	Schlesinger.
Fly.	Schlosshan.
Haidusek.	Scholl.
Hardey.	Seawright.
Harris.	Sholars.
Hartman.	Smith of Bastrop.
Hawkins.	Smith of Scurry.
Hill.	Spencer of Nolan.
Holland.	Spencer of Wise.
Johnson.	Spradley.
Jones.	Stewart.
Laas.	Swope.
Lacey.	Taylor.
Laney.	Templeton.
Lange.	Terrell.
Lee.	Thomas.
Lindemann.	Thomason
Lowe	of El Paso.
of McMullen.	Thomason
Low	of Nacogdoches.
of Washington.	Thompson
	of Hunt.